if no action has been taken, whether the Government intends to take any step in this matter in the near future ?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

The question of connecting the Counooly canal with the Vettikadavu canal between Kunnamkulam and Palanji for navigation purposes is being investigated.

The Condition of the road leading from Akkikkavu to Palanji.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

74. Will the Government be pleased to state whether any representation has been made to the Government regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the road leading from Akkikkavu to Palanji and whether any active step has been taken to improve the condition of the road referred to?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

Yes, the road in question is only a 3rd class one with an allotment of Rs. 150 per mile. Metal collection on this road has been recently completed, and the best use will be made of the metal to put the road in order.

Communications in the Vellarappalli Constituency.

Mr. O. R. CHUMMAR.

75. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(i) How many canals cut across the road that runs from Chowwara *via* Kanjur to Malayattur ?

(ii) Whether there is any other road connecting the villages of Chowwara, Vadakkumbhagam, Kizhakkumbhagam and Malayattur ?

(iii) What will roughly be the cost of constructing a bridge over the Chengal canal ?

(iv) Whether the Government have ever considered the question of constructing a bridge over the Chengal canal ?

(v) If the Government have considered the question, what is their decision ?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON

(i) Five. One of these cuts the road belonging to Travancore.

(ii) None except the one mentioned above. There are the Kanjur road and the Vallam road touching Vadakkumbhagam and Kizhakkumbhagam and the road from Angamali crosses the main road.

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